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**CLARIFICATION AND CORRECTION:**

**Policy Areas of Interest for Early Feedback on 2022 QAP and 2021 Consolidated RFP Funding Priorities**

Last Thursday, January 9, [we sent you an eNews](#) asking for your early feedback on policy priorities as we work on the 2022 Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) and 2021 Consolidated Request for Proposals (RFP) funding priorities. We want to clarify what we want feedback on and point out a correction to the policy areas of interest for early feedback.

**Clarification**

We are looking for feedback on the policy priorities specific to the 2022 QAP. The QAP governs how we allocate resources through the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program and helps shape our Consolidated RFP funding priorities.

**Correction**

We listed one of the policy priorities twice. Please see below for the correct list; the correct policy area is highlighted in red. We apologize for this error.

- Aligning government incentives for the production and preservation of housing for populations that are not being adequately served by the current rental housing market, all the while creating long-term affordability
- Prioritizing communities most impacted by housing instability and housing disparities
- Creating economic opportunities for communities that will benefit most from housing development work
- Reviewing the role geography should play in helping to drive funding decisions around housing investment throughout the state
- How best to continue focusing on ending homelessness in Minnesota and the role of coordinated entry in regard to that focus
- **How best to advance energy efficiency and building innovation in rental housing while ensuring cost reasonableness**
- How best to achieve deeper and longer-term affordability

We invite early feedback and comment on these or other policy priorities by **Monday, February 24, 2020** before developing the next draft of the QAP. Comments can be emailed directly to [HTC.mhfa@state.mn.us](mailto:HTC.mhfa@state.mn.us). **Please note:** there will be more opportunities for public comment once a more formal draft of the QAP is released, which is expected by early summer.

**Reminder: Engagement Opportunities and Registration Information**

**LIHTC 101 Webinar**

It's not too late to register for the [LIHTC 101 webinar](#) on Wednesday, January 22 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. to learn more about Minnesota Housing's Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program and how we establish funding priorities for LIHTC projects and other projects funded in the Consolidated RFP. The webinar includes a general overview of LIHTC in Minnesota, including Minnesota Housing's LIHTC program, and opportunities to participate in funding priority discussions related to the LIHTC program and Consolidated RFP. [Register by Tuesday, January 21.](#)

We also encourage you to visit Minnesota Housing's [Housing Tax Credits webpage to learn more about the LIHTC program](#).

**In-person Stakeholder Session**

Attend our [2022 QAP/Consolidated RFP Funding Priorities in-person session](#) on Tuesday, January 28 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. at Minnesota Housing. This session offers those involved and interested in multifamily development the opportunity to discuss the potential changes to the 2022 QAP, which guides overall Consolidated RFP funding priorities. [Register by Friday, January 24.](#)

**Housing Resources Engagement Sessions**

Minnesota Housing is excited to announce upcoming sessions in Greater Minnesota that will offer opportunities for local communities to engage with us to determine how Minnesota Housing and its funding partners can help advance local community housing needs.

Breakout sessions, including opportunities for dialogue targeted to the review and development of funding priorities for the 2022 QAP/2021 Consolidated RFP will be offered. A networking lunch is included with your registration. Following lunch, you may register for a limited number of technical assistance sessions with Minnesota Housing, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development, Minnesota Housing Partnership, and Greater Minnesota Housing Fund (GMHF) staff to discuss project specific or program specific technical assistance. [Click here to see the full agenda.](#)

[Register to participate in one of our three sessions.](#)

- **Saint Peter: Thursday, January 30**  
Saint Peter Community Center  
600 South 5th Street  
**Register by Monday, January 27**
- **Cloquet: Wednesday, February 5**  
Community Memorial Hospital  
Maple and Oak Rooms  
512 Skyline Boulevard  
**Register by Friday, January 31**
- **Brainerd: Monday, February 10**  
Central Lakes Community College  
Room E208  
501 West College Drive  
**Register by Wednesday, February 5**



**More Information and Additional Engagement Opportunities**

[Read this eNews](#) for more information on how to engage with us as we develop our 2022 QAP/2021 Consolidated RFP funding priorities and check the [2022 QAP/2021 Consolidated RFP Funding Priorities calendar](#) for additional engagement events including events in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

We also encourage you to sign up to receive [email updates](#) about the development of the QAP and Consolidated RFP funding priorities including future opportunities for input.



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